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**Notice of Availability of Funds**

**NJ Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) Innovation Funds**

**Take notice** that, in compliance with *N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4*, the Juvenile Justice Commission hereby announces the availability of the following program funds:

**a. Name of program:** NJ Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) Innovation Funding.

**b. Purpose:** The purpose of JDAI Innovations Funding is to provide an additional resource and support to those JDAI sites that have demonstrated an active commitment to the implementation of JDAI Core Strategies. Funding must be dedicated to institutionalizing JDAI policy, practice, and programming through the JDAI Core Strategy categories as follows:

- 1) Detention Admissions Policies/Practice;
- 2) Case Processing/Reducing Delay;
- 3) Special Cases/Violations;
- 4) Detention Alternatives;
- 5) Racial/Ethnic Disparities/Disproportionate Minority Confinement;
- 6) Conditions of Confinement;

7) Collaboration and Leadership; and

8) Using Data.

**c. Amount of money in the fund:** \$ 2,040,000. Funding allocations are for the one-year period January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016. Future State legislative appropriations for this grant program are subject to appropriation and availability of sufficient funds.

**d. Organizations which may apply for funding under this program:** Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Essex, Gloucester, Hudson, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, Union, and Warren County's Youth Services Commissions or another body approved by the Juvenile Justice Commission Executive Director as the designated body to perform the duties and services of a County Youth Services Commission, on behalf of the County's Council on Juvenile Justice System Improvement.

**e. Qualifications needed by an applicant to be considered for funding:** To be considered for funding, an applicant must minimally meet the Eligibility Criteria as described in the full application and submit a Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist on or before May 15, 2015, following the format in the full application.

Core Eligibility Criteria include:

-- An active JDAI Site throughout 2014.

-- The JDAI site held a combined total of 12 County Council on Juvenile Justice System Improvement meetings and Subcommittee meetings in the past year. At least four of these meetings must have been full Council meetings, and at least four of these meetings must have been Subcommittee meetings.

-- County Council has demonstrated a commitment to the JDAI Core Strategy of relying on data to drive system-improvement, in that the site a) produces the data minimally required to conduct such systems-analysis and b) has put in place mechanisms that rely on local participation for producing these data.

**f. Procedures for eligible organizations to apply:**

**Letter of Intent/Eligibility:** Following the format provided in the full application package, complete and submit one Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist on or before May 15, 2015. One original (with original signatures) and six copies of the Eligibility Checklist must be submitted.

**Application:** The Applications, including the Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist format, will be mailed simultaneously with the posting notice in the New Jersey Register. Applications will be mailed to each identified County Youth Services Commission Office and the chair/co-chairs of the County Council on Juvenile Justice System Improvement. Additional copies of the application are available by contacting the Juvenile Justice Commission, YSC Grants Management Unit at (609) 341-3632. One original (with original signatures) and six copies of the application must be received by August 7, 2015.

**g. Address of the State agency receiving the applications**

**Courier Services, US Postal Service, Fed Ex, UPS, or Hand Delivery**

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**h. Deadline by which applications must be submitted:**

Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist: All Letters of Intent/Eligibility Checklists must be received, not postmarked, by 3:00 P.M. on May 15, 2015.

Application: All applications must be received by 3:00 P.M. on August 7, 2015.

**i. Date by which notices shall be mailed of approval or disapproval of applications:**

Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist: Applicants will receive a response to their Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist no later than June 19, 2015.

Application: Applicants will receive a response regarding the results of the application review no later than October 1, 2015.